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## RESPONSE UNDER § 37 C.F.R. 1.116 – EXPEDITED PROCEDURE **TECHNOLOGY CENTER 3700**

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed October 23, 2006, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in light of the arguments provided herein.

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